



Enabling Choices: Population Dynamics
and Sustainable Development

Geneva, 1-2 October 2018



UNECE



Programme

Palais des Nations, Room XVIII

Monday, 1 October 2018

8:30 – 10:00 **Accreditation**

Opening plenary session

10:00 – 10:25

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Ms. Lidia Bratanova, Director, Statistical Division, UNECE

Mr. Dereje Wordofa, Assistant Secretary General and Deputy Executive Director, UNFPA

10:25 – 10:30

Adoption of the agenda and election of the co-chairs

Nominees:

H.E. Ms. Irina Kostevich, Minister of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus

H.E. Ambassador Deyana Kostadinova, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations in Geneva

H.E. Ambassador Rosemary McCarney, Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations at Geneva

10:30 – 11:15

ICPD 25 years later: Recommitting to the vision of Cairo

Chair:

H.E. Ambassador Deyana Kostadinova, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations in Geneva

Speakers:

Ms. Sarah Kennell, Canada, Youth delegate at the ICPD Beyond 2014 Regional Conference

Mr. Eduard Kluisha, Belarusian Association of Assistance to Children and Young People with Disabilities

Mr. Wolfgang Lutz, Founder and Director of the Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital (IIASA, VID/ÖAW, WU)

11:15 – 11:45 **Launch of the UNECE Report on the ICPD Programme of Action implementation in the UNECE region**

Ms. Vitalija Gaucaite Wittich, Chief of Population Unit, UNECE

Ms. Alanna Armitage, Regional Director for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, UNFPA

11:45 – 12:45 **Member States' statements on national progress towards implementation of ICPD Programme of Action** (by subscription)

12:45 – 13:00 **CSO and youth statements on regional progress and challenges towards implementation of the ICPD Programme of Action**

13:00 – 15:00 **Lunch Break**, preceded by the photo of the Heads of delegations

15:00 – 16:30 **First thematic session: Population dynamics and sustainable development**

Chair:

H.E. Ms. Irina Kostevich, Minister of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus

Panellists:

Mr. Francesco Billari, Professor of Demography and Dean of the Faculty at Bocconi University, Milan

H.E. Ms. Slavica Djukic-Deanovic, Minister without Portfolio in charge of Demography and Population Policies, Serbia

Ms. Elke Loichinger, Head of Research Group Demographic Change, Federal Institute for Population Research, Germany

Mr. Ulukbek Batyrgaliev, Chair of the National Youth Committee / National Board Reproductive Health Alliance, Kyrgyz Republic

Ms. Anne Gauthier, Senior researcher, Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute

16:30 – 17:00 **Coffee break**

17:00 – 17:45 **Statements by member States, experts, CSOs** (by subscription)

17:45 – 17:55 **Rapporteur's summary of the first thematic session**

18:00 **Closing of the first day**

18:00 – 19:30 **Reception: ICPD+25 and International day of older persons**

The reception will take place at Bar Serpent, next to the meeting room

Poster Exhibition "Celebrating Older Human Rights Champions"

Tuesday, 2 October 2018

09:30 – 10:45 **Second thematic session: Families, sexual and reproductive health over the life course**

Chair:

H.E. Ambassador Rosemary McCarney, Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations at Geneva

Panellists:

Mr. Olivier Degomme, International Centre for Reproductive Health Scientific Director, Ghent University

Mr. Madamin Karataev, Deputy Minister of Health, Kyrgyz Republic

Hon. Marie-Pierre Rixain, President of Parliamentary Committee for Women's Rights and Gender Equality, France

Hon. Ulrika Karlsson – President of the European Parliamentary Forum (EPF) and Chair of Swedish APPG

Mr. Will Niblett, Head of the Sexual & Reproductive Health & Rights Team, DFID, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Ms. Lena Luyckfasseel, Regional Director, IPPF European Network

10:45 – 11:15 *Coffee break*

11:15 – 12:15 **Statements by member States, experts, CSOs (by subscription)**

12:15 – 12:25 **Rapporteur's summary of the second thematic session**

12:30 **Closing of the second thematic session**

12:30– 14:30 *Lunch break*

14:30 – 15:45 **Third thematic session: Inequalities, social inclusion and rights**

Chair:

H.E. Ambassador Deyana Kostadinova, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations in Geneva

Panellists:

Ms. Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, Vice-chair, CEDAW and Director of the Ruth and Emanuel Rackman International Center for the Advancement of the Status of Women and Associate Professor, Bar-Ilan University, Israel

Ms. Oleksandra Churkina, Deputy Minister for European Integration, Ministry of Social Policy, Ukraine

Hon. Sopio Kiladze, Chairperson of the Human Rights and Civil Integration Committee of the Parliament, Georgia

Mr. Vinay Saldanha, Director, Regional Support Team for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, UNAIDS

Ms. Claudia Lam, Deputy to the Director *a.i.*, Office of the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

Ms. Nesime Selioska, Executive Director of Roma SOS-Prilep, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

15:45 – 16:20 **Statements by member States, experts, CSOs (by subscription)**

16:20 – 16:30 **Rapporteur's summary of the third thematic session**

16:30 **Closing of the third thematic session**

Closing plenary session

Chair:

H.E. Irina Kostevich, Minister of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus

16:30 – 16:45 **Highlights from the Conference discussions**

H.E. Ambassador Deyana Kostadinova, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations in Geneva

16:45 - 16:55 **Draft report of the Conference**

Ms. Vitalija Gaucaite Wittich, Chief of Population Unit, UNECE

16:55 – 17:10 **ICPD+25 Global review – regional inputs**

Mr. Ramiz Alakbarov, Director of Programme and Strategy Division, UNFPA, New York

17:10 – 17:30 **Closing**

Ms. Olga Algayerova, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, UNECE

Ms. Alanna Armitage, Regional Director for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, UNFPA

17:30 **Closing of the Conference**